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In re nonprovisional patent application of

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CONFIGURING  
A PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE COMPUTER SYSTEM

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**Response to Official Action**

This Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 is submitted in response to the  
Office Action dated February 19, 2002. Reconsideration and allowance are  
respectfully requested.

Please amend the Application as follows:

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**In The Claims:**

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Delete claims 13 and 14.

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Add new claim 23:

23. A computer system for allowing access to components that are configured  
in accordance with the configuration of a user's computer, comprising:

- an electronic mail system;
- an information card reader for reading configuration information for the  
electronic mail system from an information card, the information card being  
initialized based on configuration information specific to a user; and